

#### § 172.304

marked with the proper shipping name or identification number of a hazardous material unless the package contains the identified hazardous material or its residue.

(b) This section does not apply to—

(1) Transportation of a package in a transport vehicle or freight container if the package is not visible during transportation and is loaded by the shipper and unloaded by the shipper or consignee.

(2) Markings on a package which are securely covered in transportation.

(3) The marking of a shipping name on a package when the name describes a material not regulated under this subchapter.

[Amdt. 172-123, 55 FR 52591, Dec. 21, 1990, as amended at 56 FR 66254, Dec. 20, 1991]

#### § 172.304 Marking requirements.

(a) The marking required in this subpart—(1) Must be durable, in English and printed on or affixed to the surface of a package or on a label, tag, or sign.

(2) Must be displayed on a background of sharply contrasting color;

(3) Must be unobscured by labels or attachments; and

(4) Must be located away from any other marking (such as advertising) that could substantially reduce its effectiveness.

[Amdt. 172-29, 41 FR 15996, Apr. 15, 1976, as amended by Amdt. 172-29B, 41 FR 57067, Dec. 30, 1976]

#### § 172.306 [Reserved]

#### § 172.308 Authorized abbreviations.

(a) Abbreviations may not be used in a proper shipping name marking except as authorized in this section.

(b) The abbreviation “ORM” may be used in place of the words “Other Regulated Material.”

(c) Abbreviations which appear as authorized descriptions in Column 2 of

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the § 172.101 Table (e.g., “TNT” and “PCB”) are authorized.

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#### § 172.310 Class 7 (radioactive) materials.

In addition to any other markings required by this subpart, each package containing Class 7 (radioactive) materials must be marked as follows:

(a) Each package with a gross mass greater than 50 kilograms (110 pounds) must have the its gross mass marked on the outside of the package.

(b) Each packaging must be marked on the outside of the package, in letters at least 13 mm (0.5 inch) high, with the words “TYPE A” or “TYPE B” as appropriate. A packaging which does not conform to Type A or Type B requirements may not be so marked.

(c) Each Type B, Type B(U) or Type B(M) packaging must be marked on the outside of the package with a radiation symbol that conforms to the requirements of Appendix B to Part 172.

(d) Each package destined for export shipment must also be marked “USA” in conjunction with the specification marking, or other package certificate identification. (See §§ 173.471, 173.472, and 173.473 of this subchapter).

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#### § 172.312 Liquid hazardous materials in non-bulk packagings.

(a) Except as provided in this section, each non-bulk combination package having inner packagings containing liquid hazardous materials must be:

(1) Packed with closures upward, and

(2) Legibly marked, with package orientation markings that conform pictorially to ISO Standard 780-1985, on two opposite vertical sides of the package with the arrows pointing in the correct upright direction. Depicting a rectangular border around the arrows is optional.